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# SNOW FALL IN LONDON

London, Dec. 19. Snow fell in appreciable heaviness on London for the first time this winter today but there was little hope for a White Christmas. Snow began during the morning rush hour and still was falling at noon but there was little sign of it "laying" in mid-town except on rooftops. The Air Ministry Weather Bureau said it would turn later to rain and sleet. Snow broke Britain's first cold wave of the season, the thermometer rising slowly today. The thermometer stood in the mid-thirties and hourly readings were one to four degrees higher compared with similar readings yesterday. — United Press.

# Year's Best Film

New York, Dec. 19. Laurence Olivier's "Henry the Fifth" the British-made technical colour film, was voted the year's best picture in the 21st annual poll conducted by the National Board of Review of Motion Pictures. "After the Italian-made "Open City" and Hollywood's "Best Years of Our Lives" came the British "Brief Encounter," Hollywood's "Walk in the Sun" and the French "It Happened at the Inn." Olivier's performance in Henry V was judged the year's best by an actor, while Anna Magnani's tragic portrayal in "Open City" won top feminine honour. — Associated Press.

# Men Went Crazy With Hunger On Board

Tokyo, Dec. 19. Evidence at the war crimes trial here today revealed that an atmosphere of horror was created in Japanese prison ships during the war, turning them into hell ships. Prisoners were often forced to run the gauntlet of the Japanese, who would beat them and kick them as they boarded the prison ships. Japanese hell ships usually lacked latrine facilities and men too weak to go on deck would excrete where they lay. The stink aboard the ships was beyond the realm of imagination, according to documents introduced by the prosecutor, Lt.-Col. T. F. Marrane of Australia. One prisoner, in his affidavit, summed up his impressions of the Japanese commanders during his experiences at their hands as "brutish, cruel, cynical, indifferent, unbelievably stupid and utterly incompetent." According to the evidence, during a voyage from the Philippines to Formosa, 1,468 out of a total of 1,697 captives died aboard a Japanese prison ship. Men went crazy with hunger, witness said. After 13 days aboard a vessel which was a former horse transport, American prisoners were so starved "we ate flies and some men even picked grain from the floor with horse manure." On other ships, evidence revealed, men often lay miserably in their own excrement, watching their bodies raw as lice and bed bugs feasted upon them. — United Press.

**Lisbon Maru**  
The Japanese intended to drown 1,316 Hong Kong prisoners aboard the sinking unmarked prison ship "Lisbon Maru" after the ship was torpedoed while en route from Hong Kong to Japan during the autumn of 1942, according to evidence at the war crimes trial today. After the ship was struck the Japanese battered down the hatches and shot prisoners as they broke through to the decks. As the men madly leaped over the sides Japanese vessels standing by continued to fire on the prisoners in the water. Earlier

# REBEL MPs CABLE STATEMENT ON FOREIGN POLICY

## Working For Dispersal Of Mutual Suspicions

### ANOTHER U.S. HOTEL FIRE

Philadelphia, Dec. 19. Six negroes were burned to death and scores were injured when fire gutted a hotel here at midnight. Scores of guests jumped from the windows of the four-story structure before the arrival of firemen, who later rescued 100 persons. It is feared that many of the injured may die. Since the beginning of this month more than 150 people have lost their lives in fires here in the United States. — Reuter.

### Protest To P.I.

Manila, Dec. 19. The Chinese Government today formally protested to the Philippines new law giving preference to Filipinos in leasing city market stalls. Minister Chen Chih ping told President Manuel A. Roxas that the law was discriminatory as the Chinese are the only aliens at present holding stalls. The law, which goes into effect Jan. 1, affects 1,045 Chinese. The Minister said the Chinese had not been given sufficient time to liquidate. The Manila Bulletin reported it was unlikely that the Philippines would change its mind. The paper quoted a Finance Department official as saying the Chinese leases were originally due to expire in December, 1941 but the Osmeña administration, at the request of China extended the expiration date one year. — Associated Press.

# Bevin To Defend His Attitude

New York, Dec. 18. A cabled statement on foreign policy by 16 rebel British back bench Labour Members of Parliament was published today in "New Republic," the New York Left Wing weekly edited by Henry Wallace since he resigned as Secretary of Commerce after differences with President Truman on foreign policy. One of the signatories was R.H.S. Crossman, leader of the "rebel" movement in the recent House of Commons debate on the reply to the King's speech.

The statement said: "We work for the dispersal of those mutual suspicions which divide the great powers and which make effective international co-operation impossible. We feel the Soviet will join with us and with yourself, in hoping that the great genius of the American people and the immense resources of the United States will be used with those of the other countries to promote planned distribution of the world's goods for the relief of famine and distress. The alternative to this policy is annihilation." In an editorial comment on the statement, Wallace wrote: "It may well prove that one of the most important purposes of the back benchers' in Parliament is to mediate between the United States and Russia. These back benchers are not Communists."

# Soldiers Riot In Shanghai

Shanghai, Dec. 19. At least six Chinese Air Force soldiers and a policeman were injured in a clash in downtown Shanghai that lasted three hours last night in which several shots were fired. The incident started when a police officer tried to interfere in street fighting between soldiers and civilians but was beaten. However, police reinforcements arrived and were taking the soldiers to the station when two truckloads of air force men captured two policemen intending to take them back to their barracks. More policemen rushed to the scene and rescued the captured policemen. Thirty-five soldiers were taken to the police station. High officers later arrived and reached a compromise in which the arrested soldiers were turned over to the Air Force Command. — United Press.

# Report On War Crimes Trials

London, Dec. 19. Headquarters for the United Nations War Crimes Commission announced on Thursday that 24,365 prisoners have been tried for war crimes in British, United-Norwegian, Czechoslovakian and Polish courts. The figures for Poland and Czechoslovakia also included trials of persons charged with collaboration and treachery. Death sentences were returned against 1,432; prison terms were levied against 16,418 and 620 were acquitted. In the Far East, the Commission reported 1,468 persons have been tried before United States, United Kingdom and Australian courts, with 457 death sentences, 738 prison sentences and 376 acquittals. The Commission said no reports were available on trials

### BODYGUARD ARRESTED

Paris, Dec. 18. M. Andre Legout, bodyguard to Mr. Robert Schuman, who gave up his post as Minister of Finance yesterday, has been arrested on a charge of staging an armed robbery in one of the offices of the Ministry. It is alleged that he and an accomplice, summoned to the Ministry on an antique dealer, who had reported a burglary, and accused him of faking the report. Legout is alleged to have drawn a revolver and demanded two million francs "hush money." — Reuter.

# British Moves In Spain

London, Dec. 19. An authoritative Government source said today that members of the British diplomatic mission to Spain had been "examining the possibility" of whether a coalition Government could be established in Spain to replace the Franco regime and carry on until elections could be held. The source said that the examination included talks with representative groups of Spaniards ranging from "Right Wing Centralists" to "Left Wing Centralists." He said that it would not surprise him if the United States were examining the situation in Spain in the same way. The informant did not discuss the method by which an end to the Franco regime might be accomplished should Britain be satisfied a stable interim Government could be set up within Spain. He said that the British examination had included the possibility of obtaining support from a new Spanish Government from an army, which he said did not appear to be solidly behind Franco. — Associated Press.

# Recession Warning To Truman

Washington, Dec. 18. President Truman has been warned by his Council of Economic Advisers that a "recession" in employment and production next year is quite possible. He was assured, however, that only an international crisis or persistent strikes would be likely to precipitate a serious and prolonged depression. In its first report published by the President today, the Council called the present period in the nation's economic affairs "highly ambiguous," and stated: "It is easy to visualize such mismanagement of our economic affairs as might make 1947 a year of curtailed production, irregular employment and unsatisfactory purchasing powers."

# Truman Won't Tell

Washington, Dec. 19. President Truman declined to discuss the matter when asked whether he would accept a Democratic Presidential nomination in 1948. The question was put at a news conference by a reporter who observed that Harold Stassen had announced his candidacy for Republican Presidential nomination. Meanwhile, in Albany, New York, Governor Thomas Dewey replied "certainly not" when asked if he were ready to announce candidacy for Republican nomination for President in 1948. "Certainly not ready," asked the reporter. "Certainly not," said the New York Governor. — Associated Press.

# "Haunted" Ship At Plymouth

Plymouth, Dec. 18. Mysterious "tappings" from four Spaniards subsequently found in an exhausted condition in one of the watertight compartments of the Royal Navy sloop Aberdeen caused the vessel to be resorted to the authorities as a "haunted ship." Twenty-four hours after her arrival here on Monday in tow from Cerenna, Spaniards were heard by the occupants of a small craft passing near the Aberdeen berthed at a buoy with no crew aboard. On investigations being made the Spaniards were found by a naval party. The Spaniards, after being fed by Navy men, were taken to Plymouth police headquarters, pending investigations by immigration officers. Although in a famished condition the Spaniards recovered after having been batted down for six days, and experienced the vagaries of the Bay of Biscay. — Reuter.

# Red Planes In England

London, Dec. 18. Five Red Army Dakotas are now waiting to pick up M. V. Molotov and the rest of the Soviet delegation to the New York meeting of the Council of Foreign Ministers, who are due at Southampton in the Queen Elizabeth tomorrow night. The planes are at an airport four miles from Southampton. It is assumed that M. Molotov will disembark from the liner early on Friday morning and will fly on almost immediately. The facilities provided by British authorities include lodging for the crews of the Dakotas and fuel for their aircraft. — Reuter.

# Strachey Explains Bacon Cut

London, Dec. 18. Mr. John Strachey, Minister of Food, explained today why Britain's bacon ration had been reduced, saying the reduction in imports, compared with pre-war, was 243,000 tons. The United Kingdom's supplies were down to 292,000 tons. In 1938 imports came from 21 countries. The supplies of the largest quantities of bacon were: Denmark 169,000 tons, Canada 64,000 tons, Eire 27,000 tons, The Netherlands 28,000 tons. One of the chief causes of reduced quantities of bacon available in the United Kingdom, Canada and Denmark, he said, was the shortage of cereals, which resulted in an acute shortage of animal feeding stuffs. The production of more hogs could not be expected until more cereals were available. Mr. Strachey said the real trouble was the tremendous drop in bacon imports from Denmark. He hoped the supply figure would be a little up in 1947, but he thought 50,000 tons would be about the best that could be hoped for. "We should have been in a far worse position than we are if it had not been for the fact that right through the war Canada sold us much more than before the war. Your real problem is to keep Canadian supplies up. They might get back to the pre-war position. There is plenty of room in the British market for both Canadian and Danish imports, so any fear that one will crowd out the other. There is plenty of room for Canadian, Danish and home-cured bacon." — Reuter.

# Coastal Shipping Statement

Shanghai, Dec. 19. The assurance that they would be re-opened as soon as repairs to war damage were completed and the military situation permitted was given by the Government spokesman at Nanking today when confirming that the North China ports of Chihwangtao and Tsingtao were closed to foreign shipping. The spokesman said that large-scale repairs were progressing in both harbours. He added that the two ports had never been officially re-opened since they were closed as a wartime measure but this, according to local shipping circles, is true only in a sense as foreign ships had been calling at both ports during the past months. One theory of Nanking's action is that the Government wants to channelize shipping through Shanghai and so exercise a better control over imports and exports. Another reason is, possibly, the Government fear that the Communists will attack Chihwangtao when the United States Marines are withdrawn from the port, which they are expected to do by the end of December. Foreign quarters are astonished by the continued closure of the two ports because Chihwangtao is the only good deepwater port for exports from South Manchuria (with

# Nationalisation Bill Gets Second Reading

London, Dec. 18. The British Government's bill to nationalise inland transport, which Mr. Anthony Eden, for the Opposition, described as "a national disaster," was agreed to in principle by the House of Commons tonight when it was given a second reading. An Opposition amendment to reject the bill was defeated by 362 votes to 204. The bill will now go to the Standing Committee made up of about 50 members of all parties, to be debated point by point. Mr. Eden said the bill was an "ill-conceived, ill-considered and ill-timed" proposal. If the Government were really determined to nationalise the railways, he said, they should have done it in a bill which had not been riddled by every critic and person not an ardent Government supporter. Amid loud and prolonged opposition cheers, Mr. Eden said: "It is my utter conviction that this bill as drafted, if carried into law, will be nothing less than a major national disaster."

# Colonial Office On Brooke

London, Dec. 18. There could be no doubt that the object of Mr. Anthony Brooke's visit to Sarawak was restoration of the White Rajah, the spokesman of the Colonial Office told Reuter tonight. "His activity can only lead to confusion of the inhabitants and their distraction from the vital task of rehabilitation of the country." The spokesman added: "Mr. Anthony Brooke's intention is quite clear from his frequent public utterances. It is to secure a reversal of the pacific and an end to His Majesty's authority in Sarawak and restoration of the Brooke Regime, with his father, Captain Bertram Brooke, as the White Rajah. To that end he has not hesitated to attempt subversion of the existing authority." Meanwhile, an explanation of the order forbidding Mr. Brooke from entering Sarawak is being sought by his legal advisers in London. A statement by his legal advisers says that Mr. Brooke flew to New York on Dec. 6 and then went to Manila via San Francisco. When he arrived at Manila yesterday, he was told by the British Legation that an order forbidding his entry had been made last Friday, presumably by the Governor of Sarawak. No reason was given and no suggestion is made that Anthony Brooke has ever conducted himself otherwise than as a loyal British subject, peacefully pursuing his legal right. — Reuter.

# Outlook Is "Dim"

London, Dec. 18. Britain, having passed from the wettest summer in 40 years into an early, bitterly cold winter, has been caught in one of the worst food shortages in its history, exceeding in some aspects the pinches of the worst war years when German submarines sank inbound food ships almost unchallenged. The worst shortage of bread and the American promise of 84,000 tons of grain and 36,000 tons of flour in January leaves the island with 16,000 tons less than Government's estimated needs for the month. The bread situation is uncertain and the ration, which was introduced this year though unnecessary during the war, may be cut nine per cent. — United Press.

# THE WEATHER

An intense anticyclone covers China and extends eastward over Japan. Pressure remains low NE of Japan and in the equatorial regions. Today's Forecast: Moderate winds from an easterly quarter, continuing dull with some scattered drizzle about the hills. Yesterday's Weather: Maximum: 59 deg. Fahrenheit; Minimum: 49 deg. Fahrenheit; Rainfall: 0.45 inch.

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## CHINA COASTAL SHIPPING

No reason has been adduced for the decision by the Chinese Government to close the principal ports of North China to foreign shipping, perhaps because there is no reason that can be adequately justified. Presumably, it purports to fall into line with the recent restrictions upon imports, inasmuch as the purpose could be to conserve China's foreign currency holdings. Such protection as might possibly be afforded is, however, so clearly more than offset by the interference with what is even now a mere trickle of exports that if no stronger case can be made out, it fails to stand up to the test. China's right to control her coastal shipping rights in her own way and at her own discretion is today beyond argument. The criticism, which is apparently shared by Chinese business and banking circles in Shanghai, arises not from the decision to ban foreign shipping services in North China, but from the conviction that, imposed at this time, it will react not to China's benefit, but to her detriment. The understanding reception given by foreign firms to the import restrictions, serious as they are to many small concerns with outstanding commitments, derived from recognition of the fact that drastic steps were essential to reduce the heavy deficit in China's balance of payments. A necessary corollary was an intensive effort by the Chinese authorities to stimulate the export trade, with resort if necessary to subsidies. The latest order affecting foreign shipping represents the process in reverse, for the circumstances make it fairly certain that the export trade will further diminish in consequence. The campaign of Chinese shipping interests, keen to establish a complete monopoly of China's carrying trade would merit more sympathetic attention were they in a position to maintain services full and sufficient for all today's requirements. In point of fact, no attempt has been made to put up even the pretence that this is so. To parody another observer, "China's sovereignty ought to come to mean something more than the sovereign right to cut off her nose to spite her face."

**MR. BROOKE**  
London's explanation of the attempt to prevent Mr. Anthony Brooke from entering Sarawak affords no convincing reason why Hong Kong should be dragged into the contest. Neither does it indicate why Singapore's attitude should appear to be in direct conflict with the instructions sent to Hong Kong. In essence, it is a small affair, signifying nothing, at least as far as the local authorities are concerned. Unofficially, no doubt, they would be as glad to see Mr. Anthony Brooke leaving the Colony as the "Rajah Muda" would be to proceed on his way. Possibly, too, they would be inclined to agree that the political situation in Sarawak is such that his arrival there would enable him to demonstrate his convictions about freedom of choice, it is somewhat odd to find a British democratic and labour Government at so much pains to prohibit his entry. Be that as it may, it is surely not the responsibility of the Hong Kong Government to interfere, a point which the Singapore statement seems to emphasise. It rather looks as though we are on the wrong end of a process of passing the buck.

**AFRICANS OBJECT**  
Johannesburg, Dec. 19.  
The African National Congress has sent a message to Britain's King and Queen, asking them to stay away from the Union of South Africa, as long as non-Europeans do not enjoy freedom here.  
This was disclosed at a meeting of 500 Africans and Indians. The Transvaal Indian Congress has joined in agreeing to boycott the royal visit.  
The groups represent 90 per cent of South Africa's population. Associated Press.

**Prewar Moods**  
There are one or two forts available, but they are pre-war models, in design a mixture of the medieval and the Foreign Legion types and not much use to the young man who wants to reconstruct the West Wall or the Mareth Line. And anyway, what's the use of a fort without soldiers to attack and defend it? The artillery expert can have a few guns, but they are pre-war models of field, siege and AA design and often of unspecified types. None the less, Daddy, they are better than the one you had when you were a boy because some not only shoot pellets right across the sitting room, but fire a cup-stimulating and have ingenious gadgets for fixing bearings and elevation. But if you want a 17-pounder or a 7.2 gun-how you'll just have to wait.

Another pre-war toy you can have is a searchlight which throws a strong beam from torch-battery juice. It's fun, especially if you can get granddaddy to chase the beam round the room. War toys nearer lifelike are in very short supply. There are some tin swords

## Nursery War Hasn't Started Yet

While reports from America say Junior is now plaguing his sister with such educational toys as the G.I. Joe Destroyer war and post-war weapon development seem to have left the English nursery pretty cold.  
The main reason is the current shortage of toys and materials for making toys. Although there are still not enough to meet demands there are more toys than last year, but more than three-quarters of the toy-maker's output is earmarked for export and ideas and blueprints, like some of those intended for grimmer purposes, are becoming obsolete before they go into production.  
Only in a few lines are children getting toys developed from 1939-45 weapons and in

these the air-minded child is streets better off than the one with nautical ideas or the very poor third whose passion is the Army.

For the future R.A.F.-type there is a magnificent collection of build-your-own scale model aeroplanes, from the homely Wellington to the exotic Spitfire (Mark I and Mark II) to the sinister ME 109 and 110, the screaming Hellcat to the gentle Horsa glider, the fiery Typhoon to the stately Lysander, and before Christmas the range of jet-planes is expected to include the record-breaking Meteor. To accommodate these models, some of which fly, the enthusiast can buy banglars and other airfield fittings, including tables and chairs with aircrew taking tea.

The warship fancier can get plenty of model warships, many of which claim to be to scale, but few of them will sail even in a bath-tub. They are mostly "waterline models," that is they stop short at the waterline. They range from finger-long, badly finished specimens to sleek, plastic, assembly-yourself scale models, the latest of which are Tribal and Javelin class destroyers, complete with guns, turrets, pom-poms, davits and searchlights which can be moved about to fit into a battlescene.

**A Jeep**  
But the would-be soldiers, if he wants to be up-to-date, will probably have to be content with a jeep this Christmas. Any way, it will be a good one because model jeeps, wooden or metal, pull-on-a-string or clockwork, all seem to be as sturdily built as their full-size prototypes and there are some very good pedal-car jeeps, complete with movable windscreen, spare-wheel and jerrycan, but like Daddy's new car—if he's got one—they are rather austere and they are a bit hard to sit on.

An American firm is putting scale-model tanks with movable turrets on the market; they are precision-made models of Sherman, Tigers, Churchills and others, costing from 6s. 6d. to 12s. 6d. and are very effective for staging battle-scenes, but the trouble is that they are unlikely that there will be many on the market before Christmas.

Toy soldiers will be completely absent from this year's stockings. Government just will not release lead to make toy soldiers for the home market. One of London's biggest toy shops reports that customers are not bothering them with orders for soldiers; instead they are clamouring for electric trains and other mechanical toys which like the soldiers, they can't have.

**Coroner To Be Told**  
England's law is that when finds of gold or silver are made the local coroner must be informed. He must hold an inquest on the nature of the discovery, in much the same way as he must hold an inquiry into the nature of a death of a human being which has occurred in unusual circumstances. Any person who wilfully conceals the discovery of a treasure, or the knowledge of such a discovery, is breaking the law. The coroner has to determine whether the find is treasure, that is whether it is gold or silver; whether it was concealed by someone who intended to retain it for himself; whether the owner is known who found it and whether any attempt was made to conceal the find.

The second point may be a matter of considerable difficulty. In the case of the Sutton Hoo find it was clear that whether any actual human being had

and some of those old theatrical dangers with blades that disappear into the handle, which an imaginative youngster might adapt as Commando knives. There are also a few crude wooden sub-machine guns, but no rifles or nice new things like bazookas.

**The Library**  
The nursery library has acquired little from World War II. You can find one or two books such as "Calling All Arms" (with 150 illustrations) and a boys' book on the naval war, then "Little Allies (Fairy and folk tales) of 14 nations" and "Sovietbus" seem to owe something to recent history, but generally the old stuff about fairies, animals and adventurous boys and girls goes on in much the same way.

Warlike jig-saw puzzles are almost none. In a large collection I saw only two that had anything to do with the Services. Among games of the "Snakes and Ladders" and "Monopoly" where I felt pretty sure of seeing an "Alamein" "Normandy" or "Battle of Britain", I was told there was nothing to sell that wasn't there to sell in 1939.

Even the conjuror's section of a big shop, which should have been a certainty for Radar and Atomic tricks, there was nothing of the sort. True, there is an Atomic Rope Trick, but it is just a better way of doing the cut-rope that mysteriously becomes whole-again business, also advertised under heading of "Spring Goods" were advertised "Strings of Sausages (Self-Locking)" which might have received some inspiration from the immortal soda link. But I was told that most of the new ideas were pigeon-holed because manufacturers simply couldn't get around to making the essential gadgets.

Keeping the war out of the nursery may or may not be a good thing, but it's a little hard on Father, when he wants to demonstrate just how things were when he won his 1939-45 Star.

**Jap. Policy Approved**  
London, Dec. 19.  
The Minister of State, Mr. Hector McNeill, backed up occupation policy in Japan yesterday in the Commons.  
To a question whether "reactionary and treacherous" elements were regaining control, Mr. McNeill observed that the Japanese Government was elected by a democratic process and said, "It would be unnecessary to interfere with this democratic process to cause the Allied Council to intervene."

Asked if industry is being restored to relatives of former owners, he said that "proper care" has been taken in dealing with persons once associated with the military regime. Associated Press.

In the last six years two great finds of ancient treasure in Britain have drawn public attention to the question of national and private rights in such matters. Both discoveries were made in East Anglia, in the county of Suffolk. A great Anglo-Saxon galley, was excavated at Sutton Hoo, on the Deben Estuary. Amidships in the burial chamber lay a mass of weapons, gold personal ornaments and silver dishes. In 1946 it became known that a great hoard of 4th century Roman silver, now known as the Mildenhall Treasure, had been discovered in 1942 at West Row village near the town of Mildenhall.

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**Tomorrow's Problem**  
S K 9  
H A K 6-5  
D 10-9  
C A 8-7-2  
S Q 4-2  
H Q 10-8-7  
D J 9-3-2  
C Q 6-5  
S A J 10-5  
H 4  
D A 8-6-4  
C 10-7-3  
(Dealers: South, North-South vulnerable.)  
If West leads the heart Q against South's 4-Spades, the K winning, why should South not then discard a club on the heart A?

**By T. C. LETHBRIDGE**  
bonds had already been found in burial mounds at Snape Common in Suffolk, and at Sutton Hoo itself. It was clear that this was not a case of a person concealing a treasure for which he intended to return; it was concealed for use in the next world. The coroner had therefore to declare that it was not "treasure trove."

By English law, the Sutton Hoo treasure belonged to the owner of the land on which it was found. In this case the owner did not hesitate and handed the treasure over intact into the keeping of the nation. Had the owner been less public spirited the Sutton Hoo treasure could have been dispersed.

**Fourth Century Silver**  
The Mildenhall Treasure had been buried in the ground, but from the evidence, it was clear that it had not accompanied a burial. It was clear also from comparison with other finds that the silver dated from the latter part of the 4th century A.D. Many other hoards of

table plate of this period have been found in Eastern England. All round the margins of the East Anglian Fens (marshes), and in the Fens themselves, signs of this kind are discovered. The treasures, usually made of pewter, were evidently concealed in time of trouble.

These finds are often made in the vicinity of the sites of Roman-British houses. The Mildenhall Treasure came close to such a house, which had been already excavated and proved to be a small two-roomed cottage. The treasure could not have been accidentally lost in the morasses of the Fens, for the land on which it was found had never been covered by the sea. It was upland with chalk rock beneath.

## SPENDING THE LOAN

By RANDOLPH CHURCHILL

What are the British going to do with the money? Why do they want so much? This was the first difficult question to answer of all the questions directed at the sponsors of the American loan to Britain during its stormy passage through Congress. Bernard M. Baruch was the most influential of all the critics. On one occasion, in 1945, when he was visiting England as the personal representative of President Roosevelt, Mr. Baruch asked this very question at a meeting of the British Cabinet, which he had been invited to attend. The reply he got was far from comprehensive.

Let us see, then, how Britain has made use of the loan. Out of the total \$3,750,000,000 available, she has so far drawn only \$400,000,000. And it is estimated that she will draw another \$150,000,000 by the end of this year.

Many Americans, and some optimistic Englishmen as well, thought that part of the money might be used to raise the British standard of living and to alleviate the present austerity. This led many Americans to fear that Britain would purchase goods which are in short supply in the United States and so encourage inflation.

**Raw Materials**  
Some of the money admittedly has been used to maintain the already reduced wartime rationing of the British people. But the greater part of the credit so far drawn has been spent on raw materials, such as petrol, cotton and steel, to supply Britain's industries. With these raw materials available to her, Britain will regain her position as a solvent nation, will be able to earn her daily bread and, by no means least important, will be in a position to pay the interest on the loan and, eventually, to repay the capital.

Though it has been disappointing for the British public that there has been no improvement in the standard of living, and though there are complaints about President of the Board of Trade, Sir Stafford Cripps' policy of "austerity for austerity's sake," there is no doubt that Chancellor of the Exchequer Hugh Dalton's policy is much to be applauded. And though the Labour Government can be criticized on many scores, it deserves praise for resisting the temptation to gain easy popularity by using the loan to purchase the extra food and manufactured goods which have been absent from the British market for so long.

**More Than Needed?**  
But if Britain has used so little of the loan up till now, does that not show that it was more than she needed? The answer is that there are nations all over the sterling area with high credits in London, which must somehow be met. And in spite of the success of Britain's export drive, she has so far only been able to satisfy these creditors to a very limited extent. The loan, however, puts her in a much stronger position. It is as if an individual, sorely pressed by his creditors, succeeded in raising a substantial loan from his bank. Once this fact is known, his creditors immediately become more patient; and in the breathing space thus afforded him, he can reorganize his business and set himself up in a solid basis once more. So it is with Britain. The Empire is an enormous trading concern which, though far from being bankrupt, is temporarily financially embarrassed.

If anyone in the United States fears that the British are luxuriating on American charity, let him go to England and see for himself. He will find the diet worse, if anything, than during the war years; and even the minor conveniences of life are conspicuous by their absence. It is steel and cotton-machinery tools and tractors that Britain is buying from America; not refrigerators and automobiles, nylon stockings and radios. The British people accept this state of affairs as a tribute to their character, and bode well for the future of Britain as a great world power.

Important for it is now the custom of England to recompense the finder with the estimated market value of the find itself. The find becomes the property of the State, but the finder is rewarded most liberally for his discovery. At this stage the market value is difficult to estimate, but it must approach thousands of pounds sterling.

With the final point, however, there was a difficulty, which would no doubt affect this question of payment to the finder. In the old days of the treasure, the point was

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U.S. STATEMENT ON CHINA  
Truman Reaffirms Support Of Chiang  
Non-Interference Pledge

Washington, Dec. 18. United States support for the Government of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek was reaffirmed today by President Harry Truman in a declaration of policy towards China.

The President recalled his statement, made a year ago, affirming recognition of the Chinese National Government, and added: "The views then expressed by this Government are valid today."

The Presidential statement of four thousand words, expressing regret that unity had not yet been achieved in China, declared:

"We are ready to help China as she moves towards peace and a genuine democratic government."

It pointed out that \$500,000,000 is still being held earmarked for China by the American Export and Import Bank, and said that the United States was prepared to consider aid to economic reconstruction and reform "when conditions in China improve."

Reiterating the pledge not to interfere in China's internal affairs, President Truman stated:

## Position Clear

"Our position is clear. While avoiding involvement in their civil strife, we shall persevere with our policy of helping the Chinese people bring about peace and economic recovery in their country."

The United States Forces in China, the President revealed, had been reduced from a peak of 113,000 last year to under 12,000 today, and he promised that the strength will be further reduced.

In his account of General George C. Marshall's "peace mission," the President said that the five-star General had stayed on in China because he knew the seriousness of the problem and how important it was to reach a solution.

"The plan for political unification agreed to last February is sound," the President said. "The plan for military unification has been made difficult of implementation by the progress of fighting since April, but the

general principles involved are fundamentally sound.

## Realistic Policy

"China is a sovereign nation. We recognize the fact and we recognize the National Government of China."

"We continue to hope that the Government will find a peaceful solution. We believe our hopes for China are identical with what the Chinese people themselves most earnestly desire."

"We shall therefore continue our positive and realistic policy towards China based on full respect for her sovereignty and on our traditional friendship for the Chinese people, which is designed to promote international peace," President Truman stated.—Reuter.

## IRAN ELECTIONS

Teheran, Dec. 18. The Government announced that Parliamentary elections will be held throughout Iran beginning on Saturday.

The announcement was made as Government troops completed occupation of towns along the Iran-Russian frontier and launched a patrol on the Soviet border.—United Press.

## Horror Stories Of Women's Camp

Hamburg, Dec. 18.

A group of gypsies, including a nine-year-old girl, were sterilised and left writhing on the floor in agony at Ravensbrück women's camp, a French woman witness named Violette Le Cob declared at the resumption of the camp trial today.

Sixteen members of the camp staff are accused of ill-treatment of Allied nationals.

Describing other "horrible medical experiments carried out by the camp doctors, Violette said that Doctor Treit, one of the accused, cut a woman's arm from the armpit to the wrist and left it unbandaged with the tissues hanging down over the finger nails.

She accused Dorothea Binz, the chief wardress, of setting her dog on a Russian woman who had torn her arm off.

Carmen Mory, one of the accused, screamed: "She is telling lies from beginning to end by thousands!"

## Reign Of Terror

The Judge-Advocate reminded Mory she had interrupted the court on Saturday in similar fashion when she shouted "Liar" at a witness, and if she did it again she would be removed and the trial would continue in her absence.

The German counsel apologised and said he had little influence over her.

Violette, continuing her evidence, said the selections for the gas chamber caused a reign of terror in the camp and women were half mad with fear when the lorries arrived.

The Judge-Advocate, Mr. C.L. Stirling, asked if evidence about the operation of the gas chamber would be called. The Prosecutor, Major Stephen Stewart, replied: "Unfortunately no, as very few people left it alive. The only evidence came from the accused."

## Nerves Frayed

After lunch Mory's counsel again apologised for her behaviour and explained that her

nerves were frayed "after eight years' imprisonment." The counsel for Dr. Treit, one of the accused, said that two other doctors at the camp were not in dock and he felt that in their absence the prosecution witnesses were blaming everything on Treit. Their whereabouts was unknown to the defence or the prosecution, but he asked that every effort should be made to apprehend them.

Major Stewart assured him that every effort was being made. The court then adjourned.—Reuter.

## THE LOW ON TREASURE TROVE

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medieval England anyone who concealed a treasure which he had found was regarded as a traitor. "Concealment of treasure trove" said the law, "is akin to treason." Had the finders of the Mildenhall treasure concealed their find? They had found it in 1842 and it was not declared till 1946.

We have already mentioned that discoveries of table plate are quite common around the margins of the fens. Not many years ago a set of pewter dishes and bowls had been found in an old course of a fen river, near West Row in Isleham Fen. Another larger set had been found at Ishingham.

The finders of the Mildenhall treasure were asked by the coroner what they thought the metal was which they had discovered. One replied that he

## JET RECORD

London, Dec. 19.

The pilot of a British jet-propelled Meteor plane claimed an air speed record of 520 miles an hour between Le Bourget (Paris) airfield and Croydon airport yesterday. J. Bridge, aged 25, covered the approximately 200 miles in 22 minutes and 37 seconds from his departure from Le Bourget to his arrival over Croydon.—Associated Press.

## Count Them And Give Them Up

New York, Dec. 18.

Mr. Henry Wallace, former United States Secretary of Commerce who resigned after disagreeing with President Truman on foreign policy, today called the United States Government to give up its store of atom bombs to an international tribunal.

In an article in the New Republic, of which he became editor after his resignation, Mr. Wallace proposed atom bombs should be held by a tribunal until the disarmament resolution of the UNO Assembly could be given practical effect.

Declaring that Russia wants peace and had made more concessions than the United States in the Assembly, Mr. Wallace wrote: "The Russians have met us halfway. Why do not we step out now and meet them more than halfway? Count the bombs! Stop making bombs! Offer to turn bombs already made over to an international tribunal."—Reuter.

## M.P. Vice Squads Offend

Hamburg, Dec. 18.

Raids by British military police vice squads on Hamburg streets, cafes and waterfront "dives" have been stopped temporarily after Hamburg mothers had protested that respectable women and even school children had been roped in and held overnight for medical examination.

Hamburg's only woman senator, Frau Paul Karpinski, said today: "Your British policemen are nice young men, but unfortunately they are unable to tell the difference between good girls and bad."

Frau Karpinski, who has brought protests before the Hamburg City Council and the Regional Commissioner, Henry Vaughan Berez, claimed one woman member of the Council had been taken from the street by a British military policeman during a vice raid.

It has now been decided to withdraw the vice squads experimentally for two months.

The British military police have taken into custody more than 300 women per month—20 per cent of whom have been found to be infected with venereal disease.—Reuter.

## No Income Tax For Malaya

Singapore, Dec. 19.

Malaya has escaped its first post-war income tax—probably for at least another year.

Income tax was proposed by the Singapore Financial Secretary in his budget recommendations for 1947. He recommended it be imposed if the Malayan Union (which includes all of Malaya except the island of Singapore) levied a similar tax.

But the proposed budget for the Union contained no such suggestion and the Union Governor, Sir Edward Gent, said the tax should not be considered until an income tax expert now en route here from England had studied the situation and made his recommendations.

Meanwhile in Singapore, considerable public opposition to the proposal had developed, particularly among the Chinese Community. The Colony's Advisory Council approved a revised budget from which income tax was omitted.—Associated Press.

thought it was pewter or lead. The other said he believed it to have been pewter, because such things were often found in the neighbourhood. The coroner's jury decided that there had been no attempt at concealment.

The question of "treasure trove" concerns archaeologists for if a treasure is found in the actual man who first discovers it who is legally the finder. In an excavation it is the workman who digs up the hoard of coins who is the finder and not the archaeologist who sets him to work. This has been put to the test of law in the case of a find of treasure made during an official excavation on a Roman site in Northumberland.

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# CHOU EN-LAI FORECASTS CHANGES IN CHINA

Yenan, Dec. 19.

Chou En-lai, China's No. 2 Communist and the Party's chief negotiator, predicted today that new and vigorous elements in the Kuomintang would rise soon out of the underground to throw off the yoke of the extreme Rightist leadership.

When that time comes, Chou said in an exclusive interview, other Democratic and Left Wing elements of China would join to achieve a solid progressive front.

The Communists will have broken the back of the Kuomintang military offensive in six months," Chou said, "and within a year there will be sweeping changes effective in China's overall governmental and economic structure."

In a four hour interview Chou said he received no reaction either from Gen. George C. Marshall, President Harry S. Truman's Special Envoy or from Chiang Kai-shek to his recent telegram outlining the two points the Communists consider necessary before resumption of negotiations.

These are abolition of the National Assembly and the return of

troops to their Jan. 13 positions.

## Red Offensive

He expressed the belief the Government would be unable to start an effective offensive in Manchuria because of the insufficiency of reserves and the necessity of concentrating military efforts elsewhere.

Chou said the aim of the Communist military campaigns within the next few months is to restore the Jan. 13 positions but that Yenan would not feel the obligation was limited to this.

He declared that should Chiang's Government accede to the Com-

## POPE'S XMAS MESSAGE

Vatican City, Dec. 19.

Pope Pius XII, receiving Cardinals and Bishops of the Roman Curia on Tuesday, Dec. 24, will give a Christmas message to be broadcast to the world.

The Observatore Romano said yesterday that the Pope would, at that time, receive the Christmas greetings of the Princes and High Prelates of the Catholic Church in Rome.

The Pope's message will be broadcast by Vatican Radio beginning at 1000 GMT.

munist wishes and form a coalition Government the Reds are "fully prepared" to evacuate their troops from Harbin, Taitshar, Chefoo and elsewhere.

Chou suggested a close watch on Shanghai this winter. Recent strikes there were "mere curtain raisers" to what will follow as thousands, driven by hunger and desperation begin to protest, he said.

## U.S. Criticised

Chou declared the civil war was not of the Communists' choosing but was "forced on us by the Kuomintang's four families: Chiang, Soong, Chen and Kung who have no other method of safeguarding their enormous wealth."

He predicted that if the United States follows the present policy she soon would be isolated among the family of nations.

The United States, Chou said, while boasting so proudly of its democracy, was singularly unwilling to see this form of Government disseminated in the Far East. He declared the United States should recall her own days of struggle for freedom with a feeling of shame if she failed China at this critical moment.

# Princess Elizabeth Rumours

London, Dec. 19.

Prime Minister Clement Attlee and the Cabinet have not been consulted about an engagement for Princess Elizabeth, an official source said yesterday.

Rumours that she will marry Prince Philip of Greece must therefore be regarded as premature.

Under the Royal Marriages Act of 1772—passed to guard against undesirable marriages that might affect the succession to the throne—no member of the Royal Family may marry without permission of the King, and the King as a constitutional monarch acts only with the advice of his Ministers.

An exception is made for members of the Royal Family who are 25 or older. They may marry without consent, provided they give the Privy Council a year's notice and Parliament, during this year, does not disapprove of the marriage. Princess Elizabeth will not be 21 until next April.

A Government source said that it had been assured "very recently" by Admiral Viscount Mountbatten, Prince Philip's uncle, that there was "nothing to" reports of an engagement although Lord Mountbatten had been described as "strongly favouring his nephew's marriage to the future Queen."

Some objections to Prince Philip as Royal Consort have been voiced in Left Wing circles on the ground that he would form a link with the Greek Royalist Government.

## Britain To Help Austria

London, Dec. 19.

Britain has decided to make a substantial contribution by way of relief assistance to Austria, after the termination of UNRRA, including grants and credits up to £2,500,000, and also a guaranteed commercial credit of £1,500,000 for the purchase of raw wool.

Announcing this in the House of Commons today, Mr. Hector McNeill, Minister of State, said the Government desired Austria to stand on her own feet at the earliest possible moment.

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# AUSTRALIA WIN SECOND TEST

## England Tail Collapses After Lunch

### Ozone Or Food?

Stoke, Dec. 19.

In preparation for the Cup tie with Tottenham Hotspur at Tottenham next month, Stoke are making every preparation to be fighting fit for what is one of the outstanding games in the round.

The management have offered special seaside or country training to players who have not made up their minds whether they prefer this as an alternative. If they decide to stay at home the Stoke Club will provide daily lunches and teas at a restaurant to augment the food rations, which is decided proof of the Club's belief—that British rations are insufficient to allow men to give of their best.

It is expected that the players will vote on "ozone or food" before a decision is reached.—Reuter.

### BRENNAN BETTER

Newcastle, Dec. 19.

Newcastle, whose form in climbing to leadership of the Second Division promises promotion at the end of the season, hope to have their Scottish international centre-half, Frank Brennan, back early in the New Year.

He was injured against Ireland last month, but the plaster which encased his left leg has now been removed and there is no sign of cartilage trouble, which at one time was feared.—Reuter.

### R.A.F. BEAT NAVY

In a two day cricket match at Kink's Park, R.A.F. defeated Royal Navy by 98 runs.

Scores:

R.A.F. 141 (Shearman 4 for 46, Varley 3 for 4; Eve 39, Abie 30) and 64 for 7 (Shearman 4 for 25, Varley 3 for 16; Young 25).

Royal Navy 59 (Mant 6 for 32; Cole 21) and 40 (Woodcock 6 for 15).

The rain yesterday made the wicket very tricky.

### RADIO

ZBW Hong Kong broadcasting on a frequency of 845 kilocycles and from 12.30 to 1.15 p.m. 630 to 7.30 p.m. and 9 to 11 p.m. also on 952 megacycles.

12.30 p.m.—Daily Programme Summary.

12.45 p.m.—Variety.

1.00 p.m.—Weather Report and Announcements.

1.10 p.m.—Orchestral Interlude.

1.15 p.m.—Requiem Mass at the Ocean.

1.30 p.m.—Navy Solitaire.

1.45 p.m.—London Palladium Orch.

2.00 p.m.—Class Down.

2.30 p.m.—Sing and Bob Crozier.

2.50 p.m.—London Variety News.

3.10 p.m.—"Romance and Rhythm."

3.30 p.m.—"You Asked For It"—Variety Request Programme arranged by Lynn Fraser.

3.50 p.m.—Film Yvonne.

4.00 p.m.—London Variety News.

4.05 p.m.—Studio: Two Piano Recital by Caroline Briggs and Betty Brown.

4.25 p.m.—London Symphony Orchestra.

10.00 p.m.—Yield "H. Trovatore"—Act 2 and 4.

11.00 p.m.—Close Down.

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## Fine Display By Edrich

Sydney, Dec. 19.

England were all out for 371 in their second innings in the second Test Match against Australia here today, in reply to Australia's first innings total of 659 for 8 declared, giving Australia victory by an innings and 33 runs.

Edrich continued his successes of yesterday when the English innings opened again this morning, but he lost Hammond fairly early, when the English captain was 37.

Hammond was caught by Toshaek off McCool, and was the first of four victims who were to fall to the deadly bowling of a man who is rapidly proving himself to be Australia's leading bowler.

Ikin then joined Edrich and after an unexciting innings, was dismissed for 17, just before lunch when the score was 316 for five.

Edrich had a lucky escape just to drive Johnson to the boundary after lunch when he jumped out and only just managed to get back to his crease after missing the ball. Johnson was then bowling round the wicket and Yardley was beginning to look like settling in.

The Middlesex bat and the Yorkshireman seemed all set for a sixth wicket partnership which might have saved England from defeat. Yardley displayed great courage, but disaster came when his partner, Edrich, after passing his century 19 runs before, fell to McCool.

### Evans Cheered

Edrich received a wonderful ovation as he left the field, having achieved one of the best performances of any of the English side during their present tour.

Peter Smith then joined Yardley and with the first ball, turned McCool for a single which nearly touched Johnson's outstretched hand. Then Johnson came on and changed his tactics, bowling over the wicket. This must have surprised Smith, who was dismissed in the third ball of Johnson's over, caught by Hassett for three. Smith had never seemed comfortable.

England's young wicket-keeper, Evans, was seventh wicket down and as he walked out of the pavilion the Australian crowd rose to its feet and cheered him all the way to the wicket. Evans won their hearts yesterday and the day before with his really fine—sometimes amusing—wicket keeping. They liked the way he jumped around the wicket and retrieved balls which a player less keen might have left to a felder.

**Crowd Swarm On Field**

He attempted a touch of aggression and it was rather ironical that after he had scored seven, he should be stumped by his Australian counter-part. He strode out, evidently intending to drive a four off McCool, missed the ball, and then found himself almost half way down the pitch, leaving Tallon ample time to remove the bats.

Then Yardley fell to McCool, who clean bowled his middle stump when the Yorkshireman was 38.

After that the game was just a matter of minutes. Bedser took

### Tomorrow's Rugby Teams

The following have been selected for tomorrow's Rugby game at Sookunpo.

Navy "A" v. Rest "A" at 3 p.m.

Rest: Gray (Cdo.) captain; Reed (R.A.F.), McNay (Club), Clemo (Club), Barclay (Club), Cessford (Club), Mills (Cdo.), Cossie (Police), Thomson (Cdo.), Saunders (Police), Mann (Club), Dando (Cdo.), Goddard (Cdo.), Manson (Police), Goddard (Cdo.).

Referee: Commander Hughes.

Colony: Over 25 v. Colony Under 25 at 4 p.m.

Over 25: Ingham (Club), Foley (Cdo.), Stubbs (Club), Burroughs (Cdo.), Stewart (Club), Thomson (Navy), Henderson (Club), Wynyard (Navy), Curtis (Cdo.), Fox (Cdo.), England (Cdo.), (captain), Colchester (Club), Titchhurst (Cdo.), Buskell (Cdo.), Wright-Noth (Police).

Under 25: Kay (Navy), Stanley (Cdo.), Parry (Navy), Hutchings (R.A.F.), Metcalf (Navy), Aclon (Cdo.), Bowdler (R.A.F.), Walmesley (R.A.F.), McWhirter (Club), Moffat (Club), Guest (Cdo.), Oliver (Police), Abrahams (Cdo.), Lessey (Navy), Graham (Club).

Referee: Dr. J. Selby.

### AUSTRALIA BOWLING

	O.	M.	W.	R.
Miller	11	3	1	37
Johnson	29	7	2	62
Freer	13	2	2	49
Tribe	12	0	0	40
Toshaek	36	1	0	16
Barnes	10	0	0	11
McCool	32.2	0	5	109

### ENGLAND Second Innings

L. Hutton, hit wkt. b. Miller	37
C. Washbrook, c. McCool, b. Johnson	41
W. J. Edrich, b. McCool	119
D. Compton, c. Bradman, b. Freer	54
W. R. Hammond, c. Toshaek, b. McCool	37
J. T. Ikin, b. Freer	30
N. W. D. Yardley, b. McCool	26
Peter Smith, c. Hassett, b. Johnson	3
T. G. Evans, stumped: Tallon, b. McCool	7
A. Bedser, not out	3
D. Wright, c. Tallon, b. McCool	6
Extras	17
Total	371

Total for 8 (declared) 659

—Reuter.

## England Must Win Last 3 Matches

(From Norman Preston)

Sydney, Dec. 19.

Australia's runaway victory by an innings and 33 runs means that England, to recover "The Ashes," must win the three remaining matches. That was the task Australia faced here in 1936 when G. O. Allen's team won the first two matches.

While Bradman's men succeeded ten years ago, one doubts whether Hammond has the resources at his disposal for England to fight their way out of their present plight.

There was some consolation during England's hours of defeat. The second innings total of 371 on the fifth and sixth days was a fine effort, because of the desperate position the team faced. Much of the batting in this second innings, particularly by Hutton and Edrich, was inspiring. England are capable of making a mammoth total out here and when that comes Australia's fighting powers will be tested.

Because of the first innings' failure England were engaged in an uphill battle from the second day of this match. Bill Edrich emerged from this ordeal with a glorious all-round record. His century today may be the first of many three-figure scores against Australia. As at Durban against South Africa seven years ago, in the longest Test ever played, when he made 219 in the closing stages, Edrich showed he possessed the temperament for these strenuous clashes.

Similarly Wright has proved his class in Australia, but England badly needs another capable slow bowler to support him. Langridge should be given a chance. Another satisfactory point for England was the discovery of a class wicket-keeper in Evans, who, with more experience, may yet develop into a champion.

### Too Slow For Bedser

The wicket was not pacy enough for Alec Bedser. He would be more dangerous if he could extract more life from the pitch. Smith turned his leg breaks, but his trajectory was

too high in the bright Australian light, where batsmen find time to use their feet against him.

Australia should be pleased with their two spin bowlers, McCool and Johnson. Each took eight wickets. Today, McCool, following a slight drizzle which imparted a new life to the pitch, made his leg breaks work quite quickly, but it was a long time before he established mastery over the batsmen. McCool's analysis was improved by the capture of the tail enders, who were the backbone of the England batting.

While the backbone of the England batting was being broken, Johnson was more impressive with his off-breaks than McCool. His lightning on a pitch so responsive to spin kept batsmen perpetually on the defensive.

Bradman surprised most people by the little use he made of Toshaek, who bowled only 13 overs for 22 runs, but while Toshaek pursues his present policy of running the ball across the leg stump instead of spinning from leg as a natural left-hander, he will never be menacing.

Bradman persevered with Tribe, who failed to take a wicket. Possibly Tribe struck too much to impart spin, whereas if he turned the ball less and kept a better length he would be more valuable to his side. His faster ball was usually a gift to batsmen.

Finally, Bradman again showed himself a shrewd and relentless captain in the way he handled his attack, placed his capable field and used his knowledge of the laws of the game to exploit every advantage.

### Third Test Team

Immediately after today's Test, Australia announced their team against England in the third Test, starting on New Year's day.

### The Week-End Soccer

The following is the soccer programming for the week ending 22nd December, 1946.

#### SATURDAY, DEC. 21, 1946

##### First Division

Club vs. R.A.F. (Club gr. 4 p.m.)

Referee: F. A. Barretto.

Linesmen: Lui Shiu Ming and Tsang King Hong.

South China vs. 45 Cdo. (Navy gr. Causeway Bay 4 p.m.)

Referee: C.P.O. J. H. Rogers.

Linesmen: N. T. Delgado and P. M. Xavier.

42 Cdo. v. Navy. (Sookunpo gr. 4 p.m.)

Referee: Lt. Col. Perry.

Linesmen: Cpl. H. Filmer and L/S. D. Sparrow.

Note: 42 Cdo. taking over the remaining fixture of 1/5 Cdo. withdrew from League.

##### Second Division

C.A.S.C. vs. Signals. (Navy gr. Causeway Bay 2.30 p.m.)

Referee: P. M. Xavier.

Club vs. Travancore (Club gr. 2.30 p.m.)

Referee: E. Lawrence.

44 R.M. Cdo. vs. H.K. Chinese Cadre. (Chatham Rd. gr. 2.30 p.m.)

Referee: C.S.M. H. Cook.

Dockyard vs. Kwong Wah postponed.

#### SUNDAY, DEC. 22, 1946

##### First Division

44 R.M. Cdo. vs. Kwong Wah. (Sookunpo gr. 4 p.m.)

Referee: L. F. Roberts.

Linesmen: C.S.M. H. Cook and Cpl. H. Filmer.

Club vs. C.A.S.C. (Club gr. 4 p.m.)

Referee: C. Turnstall.

Linesmen: E. Lawrence and P. M. Xavier.

St. Xavier's vs. Eastern. (Navy gr. Causeway Bay 4 p.m.)

Referee: L. G. Young.

Linesmen: A. Leek and Lui Shiu Ming.

##### Second Division

Sing Tao vs. South China. (Club gr. 2.30 p.m.)

Referee: E. Hagan.

Navy vs. Wireless Centre. (Navy gr. Causeway Bay 2.30 p.m.)

Referee: D. Sparrow.

3 Cdo. Bde. H.Q. vs. Police. (Chatham Rd. gr. 3.30 p.m.)

Referee: N. T. Delgado.

TUESDAY, DEC. 24, 1946

H.Q. Land Forces vs. Travancore. (St. Joseph's gr. Happy Valley 3 p.m.)

Referee: L/S. D. Sparrow.

### REPLAYS

London, Dec. 18.

Results of Football Association Cup second round replays were: Queen's Park Rangers 2 Norwich 0. Ipswich 0 Walsall 1. Stockton 2 Halifax 1. Wrexham 3 Lincoln 3 (after extra time).—Reuter.

### R.A.F. TEAM

The following will represent R.A.F. on Saturday, Jones, Charlton and Johnson, Anderson (Capt.), Cashman, and Burns, Duncan, Strickland, Marshall, Fox and Thorpe.

Reserves: Sear and Exandall.

### INDIAN MERCHANT CHARGED

An Indian merchant, B. S. Heera, of 39 Wyndham Street, pleaded not guilty before Mr. Horace Lo at Kowloon Court yesterday to a charge of bringing unmanifested cargo, namely, one bale of piece goods (Rayon), into the Colony at Kai Tak Airport on Dec. 18.

Defendant pleaded that the cargo in question had been entered on another manifest. Bail of \$500 was allowed, hearing being fixed for the afternoon of Dec. 24.

At Melbourne. The men will be chosen from the following: 12: Don Bradman (captain), Sid Barnes, Bruce Dooley, Fred Freer, Lindsay Hassett, Ian Johnson, Ray Lindwall, Colin McCool, Keith Miller, Arthur Morris, Don Tallon and Ernest Toshack.

The names show two changes from those selected for the second Test. George Tribe has been dropped and his place taken by Bruce Dooley. South Australian spin bowler, while Ray Lindwall, fast bowler, returns after his illness, to the exclusion of Keith Muelemann, who acted 12th man in both the first and second Test. This means that Fred Freer, who was brought in at the last minute to take Lindwall's place, remains in the squad.—Reuter.

### DAKOTA CRASH

London, Dec. 19.

A Dakota of the European Airways on its take-off from Northolt Airport, on London's outskirts, today crashed on houses adjacent to the field. The extent of the damage or casualties was not immediately known.—United Press.

## Jap Gun Given To Jodhpurs

At a ceremonial parade of the Jodhpur Sardar Infantry held yesterday at Whitfield Barracks in honour of the visit of His Highness The Maharaja, the G.O.C., General Festing, made a presentation of a captured Japanese gun, taken at the liberation of Hong Kong.

The G.O.C., who made a short speech, said he was happy to give this gun to the Regiment as a memento of their service in Hong Kong.

The Maharaja afterwards took the salute at the march past.

A tour of inspection of Whitfield Barracks followed, in the course of which His Highness visited the V.C.O.'s Mess and the Havildar-Sergeants' Mess.

His Highness then had lunch with Col. G. M. Gillan, Major Durgara Singh, M.C., and Officers of the Battalion at the Jodhpur Sardar Infantry Officers' Mess. Among the guests were Brig. P. L. Lindsay, C.O., 159 Indian Infantry Brigade, Wing-Comdr. Holden, Col. G. J. Cradock and the crew of the plane put at the disposal of His Highness by ACSEA.

His Highness is here on a five-day visit with his brother, Major-General Maharaja Sir Ajit Singh, Lt.-Col. Kashri Singh and Major Thakur Hari Singh, members of his Staff.

In the afternoon His Highness went on shopping tour, and in the evening, with members of his staff and officers of 159 Indian Infantry Brigade and the Jodhpur Sardar Infantry, was the guest of the G.O.C., Major-General Festing, at Flagstaff House.

## London Stock Exchange

London, Dec. 18.

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